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## **ABSTRACT**

The invention provides compounds or salts thereof of the general formula (I):

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wherein each of R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> independently represents a C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl or C<sub>2-7</sub> acyl group; X represents OCH<sub>2</sub> or a group CR<sup>3</sup>R<sup>4</sup>; wherein each of R<sup>3</sup> or R<sup>4</sup> independently represents a hydrogen atom or a C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl group; R<sup>5</sup> represents a hydrogen atom or a C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub> alkenyl or C<sub>2-3</sub> alkynyl group; R<sup>6</sup> represents a hydrogen atom or a C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, amino, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylamino, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>) alkylamino or C<sub>2-7</sub> acylamino group; each of R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> independently represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>2-7</sub> acyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>3-6</sub> cycloalkyl; and R<sup>9</sup> represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>2-7</sub> acyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy or C<sub>3-6</sub> cycloalkyl group. The compounds or salts thereof are useful for treatment of respiratory disorders such as asthma. Compounds of the invention have a longer duration of action than the known compound trequinsin (9,10-dimethoxy-3 methyl-2-mesitylimino-2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-4H-pyrimido[6,1-a]isoquinolin-4-one).